

# Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

It should be my own decision whether I have a medical exam or a hearing test. If I am forced to have an exam or tests, the FDA should have to pay for them.

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance ...

I definitely agree.

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

AS stated in question #1, It should be our own decision. The FDA has no right to take away another of our Constitutional Rights

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

The answer is AN EMPHATIC YES.

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